

Cubs Score Upset Over Cardinals

WALTON HITS THREE HOMERS

Torrance's Little League upset of the year was carded recently as the under dog Cubs, last place finishers in the National Minor Little League regular season, rose up in a post-season intra-league tournament to take away top honors from the Cardinals, Nat Minor and City Minor champions, in a 22-8 game at Kettlerfield.

Brent Walton's unprecedented slugging led the unsung Cubs to their upset. Walton set a Kettlerfield and City Minor League mark as he bashed three homers out of the park.

Another sparkling bat performance was turned in by the Cub's Lloyd Gilstrap, who tallied five safeties in five trips to the plate.

The Cubs took a quick lead in the final contest and were never headed as they provided a fitting climax to the city's upset studded minor league season.

The tourney winners arrived in the finals via a 12-4 win over the Braves in the first round of play, and a landslide 20-7 triumph over the Indians in the semi-finals.

Too Many Fish, Not Enough Water in Lake

Officials of the Dept. of Fish and Game recently advanced the opinion that the only practical way to provide better fishing at Big Bear Lake would be to remove all fish from the lake by a chemical treatment this fall, and start from scratch with proper restocking.

The Dept. notes that Big Bear is completely saturated with an over-population of stunted adult crappie that

Fire Team to Meet Service Club Stars

A practice slo-pitch game between Fire Department A, Blue Streak title holder, and a Service Club League All-Star combo has been scheduled for Thursday, Torrancia Park, at 7:30 p.m.

The game has been scheduled as a tune-up contest for the Department B club as they prep for their city title match with Fire Department B, top team in the Service loop.

The Service Club All-Stars, composed primarily of Lions Club stars, will provide some basis of comparison for the coming title game between the Fire teams.

Department B currently boasts the only undefeated record in slo-pitch play, clinching the Service pennant with a 13-0 mark last week, while Department A look down top honors in Blue Streak play with a final 12-2 record.

monopolize most of the lake's fish food and growing room.

Already low, Big Bear Lake is expected to drop to about one-third its present size by the first of November.



NATIONAL PLAY-OFF CHAMPS . . . The Cubs, surprise winners of the recent National Minor Little League's post-season play-offs, line up for their official team photo. Front row (left to right, kneeling): David Surber, Tommy Wilks, J. J. Henry, Jimmie Hurley, Johnny Grim, Steve

Fuller, Lloyd Gilstrap, David Yeskins and Jerry Wilks. Back row (left to right, standing): Garland Roberts, Les Fuller, coach; Ed Frieberg, Bernie Yeskins, coach; Daryl Hanson, Brent Walton, Ronnie Surber, George Surber, manager; Ed Foster, and Mark Simons.

LION TRAPPED

A mountain lion, measuring seven feet from nose to tail, was recently trapped in the San Bernardino Mountains near Crestline. The lion weighed 135 lbs.

During the one month that the big cat's presence was noted, it was credited with at least three known deer killed.

Rotarians Drop Optimists In 20-17 Slugfest

An eight-run blast in the fourth inning put the Rotary Club into a lead which they held on to for the final three frames to take a high scoring 20-17 win from the Optimist Club in Service Club play.

George Post had the biggest Rotary slam, a four bagger in the third, while Dave Harbason pounded a pair of doubles for the winners. Bob Leech and Bernie Lee also got into the long hit line with doubles.

A Woodcock and E. Winklebauer tallied the longest Optimist hits, Winklebauer with a triple in the first, and Woodcock coming up with another three sacker in the third. Cliff Graybehl had a good night at the plate, rapping out three doubles and a single in four trips.

The only other Service Club game was a reverse of the Optimist-Rotary wing-ding, as the American Legion and Junior Chamber clubs met in an eight inning pitchers' duel, with the final nod taken by the Legion 1-0.

Smith of the Legion took top mound honors with a five, hitler, while Phil Lisman gave up nine scattered safeties in the losing effort.

Smith also scored the winning run, taking first on a fielder's choice and coming home on Murphy's triple.

Final Official Ruth Statistics Released

Revised official, final batting statistics for the Torrancia Babe Ruth League were recently announced by league officials.

Top hitters during the Ruth loop's 1956 season were: Jim Martin, Rainiers, .471; Paul O'Kain, Angels, .445; Lee Day, Beavers, .438; Jack Armstrong, Dons, .414; Doug Ingram, Oaks, .408; Chuck Mearing, Padres, .406; Ray Hunkle, Rainiers, .400; R. Vanderpool, .396; Jim Wiley, Beavers, .391; Gene Crenshaw, Seals, .387; and Gary Brimley, Stars, .386.

TROJANS CINCH SHARE OF TITLE

A forfeit win over the Esabs clinched at least a tie for top honors in Girls Softball League final standings for the Trojans in league action last week.

The National Blueettes, only team with a chance of sharing top honors with the Trojans, forced the race to the finish with a 7-0 win over the Stripes.

In other loop games the Duffers and the Hot Shots went at it for five and a half innings before the Shots squeezed out a 13-12 win. The win-loss decision puts the Hot Shots and Duffers into a two-way tie for third in current league standings.

Rosemary Swartz pitched the win for the Shots, while Jerry DeChant led the winners hit parade with three singles and a double in four at bats. AnnaLee Thomas had the big hit for the Shots, a grand slam homer in the third.

Dock Graham and Arlene Horn carried the main portion of the Duffer's hitting assault, Graham tallying three for four, including a double, and Horn coming through with a homer and single.

In other action the Alphas moved into a tie for sixth place in the standings with a 10-5 win over the Bruins. The Alphas and Bruins are now deadlocked with identical 4-8 records.

Dot Nelson was the most consistent Alpha batter, with three singles in three trips to the plate, good for three runs. Karen Nelson had the longest hit for the winners, a triple in the second frame.

Best batting mark for the Bruins was carried by Marsha Post, a double in three at bats. Ada Garnica led the Bruin scoring effort, crossing the plate twice in three batting appearances.

Next big action for the girls, barring final games to be played Tuesday and Thursday, will be their All-Star contest next Friday at Torrancia Park. Game time for the match between the league champions and the all-star

group made up of the other seven loop clubs is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

POTS SEEK 2ND WIN OVER BAGS

The women take over the athletic spotlight in the Eastern Lomita-Harbor City Little League today as the Tea Bags match slants and smashes with the Coffee Pots. The game will be played at 3:30 p.m. on the diamond at 101 Hwy. and Vermont.

Second in a series of indefinite length, the Tea Bags will be seeking to turn the tables on the Coffee Pots who notched a 21-18 win last Sunday.

Jackie Jarrett went to the mound for the Pots in that win and is expected to get the starting nod today. Pearl Colum, losing moundswoman Sunday, is expected to be ready in reserve today as the Bags plan on assigning starting twirler duties to Gloria Blum.

Standings

SERVICE CLUBS

Club	W	L
Fire Department B	13	0
Optimist Club	10	3
Rainiers Club	8	5
Lions Club	7	6
American Legion	5	8
Junior Chamber	5	8
Kiwanis Club	3	11
Walter's B.M.C.	0	13

BABE RUTH LEAGUE

Club	W	L
Angels	13	5
Beavers	12	6
Oaks	12	6
Seals	10	8
Rainiers	9	9
Padres	9	9
Mounties	7	11
Dons	7	11
Solons	4	14

GIRLS SOFTBALL

Club	W	L
Trojans	8	2
National Blueettes	7	3
Duffers	6	4
Hot Shots	6	4
Esabs	6	4
Bruins	4	6
Alphas	4	6
Stripes	1	9

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Random Ramblings

By ROGER BOEDECKER

With Little League play completed, and Recreation Department softball entering the final stages, I find that there is now time, and space, to devote a little consideration to what is happening on the sport scene at the national level.

Why stop at the national stage? I'm going to write about the Olympics.

For all the talk of the United States' lack of talent in the longer distances, a member of the U.S. Olympic team once won the marathon run. Of course you have to go all the way back to the 1904 Olympics for that one.

Still and all, the national team of that year chalked up a fair mark in the distances. T. J. Hicks won the marathon, quite a feat, but was topped by J. D. Lightbody's double win, in the 1500- and 800-meter runs. Only other athlete to double those events was M. W. Sheppard, in 1908, also of the U.S. team.

In more recent times, 1952 to be exact, the only distance over 800 meters won by a member of the U.S. team was the 3000-meter steeplechase. That by Horace Ashenfelter at Helsinki.

From 800 meters on down, the national team has done well. Since the start of the modern Olympics, in 1896, the U.S. has missed winning the 100-meter run but three times, in 1908, 1924 and 1928. The 200-meter run has been U.S. property nine out of the 11 times it was part of the Olympic program. Competition has been tougher in the 400-meter event, with the U.S. taking eight firsts out of a possible 13.

In the 800 meters the U.S. and Great Britain have closed out the rest of the world, seven times being won by the national team, and six times going to the British.

Of the 25 track and field events currently included in the Olympic program, ranging from the 100 meters to the 50,000-meter walk in track events, and from the hop, step and jump to the 56-lb. weight throw in the field, there are a total of five in which the U.S. has never taken top spot.

These five "never win" events are the 5,000-meter run, 10,000-meter run, 10,000-meter walk, 50,000-meter walk, and the pentathlon.

Stars Start Final PCL Home Play With Seals

The Hollywood Stars turn into the Pacific Coast League race home stretch next weekend with a four game home stand against the San Francisco Seals. Back to back double-headers are scheduled for Sunday and Monday, Labor Day.

Final home play for the Stars will be against the San Diego Padres the following week. The Twinks meeting the Pads in a five game series, single games being played Tuesday through Saturday.

LEGION CLUB DROPPED IN FINAL GAME

Torrance's American Legion Post 170 baseball team was dropped out of the Anaheim Tournament by Sunshiners Acres in a 5-2 game.

The time limit contest went seven full innings before the locals were forced to take the loss, thus concluding their 1956 Legion season.

Bob Clifford and Ron Andersen shared top hit honors for the Torrancia club. Andersen taping a pair of doubles in four trips to the plate, and Clifford tallied two singles in four at bats.

Toby Venable came up with a single and one run in three at bats, while Al Bledsoe hit the only other local safety with Rus Vanderpool scoring the only other Torrancia run. Anderson handled the mound chores for the Legion nine, chalking up eight strike outs while allowing six hits. Bob Grajeda was Andersen's backstop for the first three innings, then relieved by Ray Vanderpool who moved in from left field.

Drivers Prep For Road Race

Veteran sports car driver, Bob Oker, announced that his new \$5000 A.C.C. Bristol will be entered in the sixth annual California Sports Car Club sponsored Santa Barbara road races, Sept. 1 and 2.

Oker's Bristol is the only one running on the west coast and is reported to be a hard car to beat. More than 150 drivers are now entered for the races over the 2.2 mile strip at Goleta Air Field, according to CSCC president Joe Weissman.

DOVE SEASON TO OPEN NEXT WEEK

Most of Southern California's dove crop may be concentrated in the Imperial Valley and Colorado River areas when the 30-day dove season opens Sept. 1.

Shooting hours on doves will be from a half hour before sunrise, to sunset, with a bag limit of 10. Whitewing doves may be taken only in Imperial, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties.

Reflections

By J. HUGH SHERFEE, JR.

HEARTACHES AND LONELINESS

Our ancestors had their teeth extracted without benefit of anesthetic; when they submitted to surgery they submitted to pain. That pain has been relieved by modern drugs. However, there are pains for which no deadening drugs have yet been found.

Science with all its modern discoveries has found nothing to relieve the pain of heartaches and loneliness. Vaults of gold, trainloads of jewels cannot alleviate the torture of a heartache, but sympathy and understanding can and does. As we race toward old age we rush to the void of loneliness; to be thought of, to be remembered, loved and treated kindly brings happiness and contentment. Ancient civilizations revered old age, those people lived a useful life and were regarded by attention and affection by family and friends.

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